

WILD PANIC IN SAN FRANCISCO

**Powder Explosion Across the Bay
Causes People to Believe Town
Was Visited by Earthquake.**

**Thousands of People Become Panic
Stricken and Stampede, a Num-
ber Being Trampled Upon and
Injured by the Frightened
Crowd.**

San Francisco.—An explosion which occurred Saturday morning in the DuPont powder works at Serrano on the bay shore north of Berkeley, caused a panic and the injury of a number of people in this city. When the explosion was heard by the thousands of employees of the California Fruit Cannery association, who were at work in the big establishment of the company at the foot of Van Ness avenue, they thought it was caused by an earthquake and made a mad rush to escape to the streets. During the stampede a number of persons were thrown down and trampled upon. So far as is known no one was killed, but many were badly hurt. Several ambulances were at once sent to the scene and all the aid possible was extended to the injured.

The main crash occurred in the main hallway of the building into which nearly all of the 500 women employees rushed. Those below somehow slammed the heavy doors leading to the street and the hundreds of women who threw themselves headlong down the stairs were crushed again the barred and bolted exit. Not until Lieutenant Wright arrived with a squad of patrolmen were the doors opened and the women allowed to reach the street.

SHRINKAGE IN VALUES.

**The Bankers' Magazine Will Print a
Startling Story.**

London.—The next issue of the Bankers' Magazine will print a tabular statement of the shrinkage in the value of the stock exchange by the depreciation of securities of all grades and of all varieties, which the editor likens to a "survey of a district afflicted by the devastating calamity."

For August the decline in 387 representative stocks reached the staggering total of \$880,000,000. This makes an aggregate of \$1,725,000,000 since the beginning of the year, of which \$565,000,000 is in American railroad shares, \$240,000,000 in British funds and \$180,000,000 in English railway and ordinary stocks. Judged purely from a percentage basis, however, the most serious losses have been in the South African market averaging 25 per cent.

As regards the month itself, the table indicates that American railroad securities are far in the front, with a

THUNDERSTORMS AND LIGHTNING

**Eight Hundred People a Year Killed
in United States.**

Washington.—An average of 800 people are killed in the United States each year by lightning, according to data collected by the weather bureau. This means that about one in each 100,000 of population is killed in that manner.

The belt of most numerous visitations includes all of Florida, except the southernmost tip, the lower edges of Georgia and the southeastern corner of Alabama. In that belt an average of forty-five thunderstorms a year is experienced.

The zone of next greatest frequency includes the more northern parts of Georgia and Alabama, and its annual average is forty storms.

**Refuse to be Held up and Are Shot by
Highwaymen.**

Billings, Mont.—Four men were shot, one fatally and one maimed for life in an attempted hold-up at Huntley, on the government townsite on the recently opened Huntley project. Six Finlanders and one American were sleeping in a box car when awakened by an order to hold up their hands. The Finns refused. The robbers opened fire. Three Finns and one robber were wounded. The latter was captured but his companion escaped.

**South Dakota Blue Law Which Would
Prevent Flirting.**

Highmore, S. D.—The common council has passed an ordinance prohibiting male and female persons from loitering on the steps of any church, public building or doorway of any store for the purpose of visiting, eating candy or peanuts, or loitering in the streets, alleys or vacant lots, or any other obscure places for the purpose of flirting in the evening. It will be unlawful for parents or guardians or other persons having minors under their charge to violate this ordinance.

**Pearl Harbor Needs Widening, Deep-
ening and Straightening.**

Honolulu.—At a meeting of a representative business men called by Rear Admiral Very, resolutions were adopted declaring that the deepening, widening and straightening of Pearl harbor channel was an imperative commercial necessity to both the territory of Hawaii and the United States. Contracts have been made in Baltimore for 40,000 tons of coal to be delivered at Honolulu for the navy. Of this amount 25,000 tons will be carried in foreign bottoms.

PRESIDENT SMALL OPTIMISTIC AS TO TELEGRAPHERS' STRIKE

**Claims That Ninety-five Per Cent of
Operators Are Out and Will Stay
Out Until They Win.**

New York.—S. J. Small, president of the Commercial Union of Telegraphers, arrived in New York Sunday morning from the west. Speaking of the strike situation, he said:

"We have full 95 per cent of all the commercial telegraphers in the United States on strike. This applies to small and large cities. Thousands of one-man offices are closed, and the keys to the doors are in possession of city officials, to be turned over to the inspectors of the company when they arrive. We have started to raise a large fund—two of them in fact. One of these is for the benefit of the strikers, and the other to be expended in propaganda work in favor of government control of the telegraph. Although the call for funds has only been out for a few days, many remittances were received before I left Chicago and, strange to say, as much was received for the campaign fund as for the benefit of the strikers. Much has been published about arbitration, but the cry from coast to coast is 'No arbitration.'"

IRELAND'S OPPORTUNITY.

**Frank Sullivan Looks Forward to
American-Japanese War.**

Fountain, Belgium.—The lord mayor of Dublin on Sunday unveiled the monument erected to commemorate the bravery of the Irish brigade in the battle of Fontenoy in 1745 in the presence of 300 Irish visitors, the local authorities and the clergy. The monument was presented to the town by various societies. Frank Sullivan of San Francisco, in replying to the toast, "The Sea-Divided Gael," asked that Ireland be patient and await the inevitable war between America and Japan for control of the Pacific. He declared that Irishmen should not enter the British army or navy.

NATIVES COST LESS.

**So Government Will Hire Filipinos to
Keep Islands in Shape.**

Washington.—Inquiry at the war department on a report from Japan that the authorities plan to increase the troops in the Philippines by adding thirteen regiments of natives, shows the story originated in a recommendation by General Mills, department of Ceylon, that the scout force be increased by fifty companies. The recommendation is due to the desire to reduce expenses, natives costing less than American soldiers.

**Taft Advises Oklahomans to Reject
Constitution.**

Oklahoma City.—Secretary Taft, in a speech Saturday night in convention hall to 1,000 people, advised the citizens of Oklahoma and Indian Territory to reject the constitution recently adopted by the convention at Guthrie, and declared the next congress would pass a new enabling act. Taft emphasized the fact that he was not representing President Roosevelt, that the views expressed are his own, and in no sense inspired by the president.

**Brother of Sultan Has Been Called to
the Throne.**

Tangier.—A courier from Morocco City, confirms the reports that the brother of the sultan had been proclaimed sultan August 16. After announcing by a salute of four guns his assumption of the throne he immediately formed a court. The influence of the former sultan in the south is disappearing and Mulai Hafid has declared his intention to appoint his brother Mohammed Khalil of Fez and then proceed to take command of the Moorish forces besieging Casablanca.

AN OUTBREAK IN ARGENTINE.

**Chief of Police Was Leader of Short-
Lived Insurrection.**

Buenos Ayres.—A local revolution broke out in the city of San Luis, capital of the province of San Luis, a town of 11,000 inhabitants situated about 140 miles southeast of Buenos Ayres. The chief of police was the leader of the insurrection and the government and other provincial authorities were made prisoners. The insurrectionists immediately chose a new governor, named Adaro, and installed him in office. News from San Luis received Sunday, reports that complete quiet has been restored and further disturbances are not anticipated.

**Mines Close Down on Account of Ma-
chinists' Strike.**

Butte.—The big Gagnon, Never-sweat and West-Stewart mines and the Daly-Davis crosscut have been forced to close down by the machinists' strike. Business men are becoming alarmed at the possibilities of the strike on the part of the machinists. It is feared that other mines may follow the example of the properties mentioned and shut down as fast as the machinery becomes unfitted for use. Both the unions and the mining companies show no sign of weakening.

**Another Junket to the Isthmus of
Panama Proposed by Tawney.**

Washington.—An examination on the ground of the estimates for the appropriations for continuing work on the Panama canal, submitted by Secretary Taft for the fiscal year of 1909, is to be made by members of the next congress, who will have charge of the preparation of the supply bill in which the appropriation for the canal is incorporated.

For Healthy Nerves.

Physicians will tell you that healthy nerves mean a healthy body. But such nerves are uncommon. The ordinary human constitution is an opiate, something that lulls but never cures. Real remedies prevail at the moment, nature's remedies for the most part—rest, fresh air, diet and exercise. These could be taken at home just as well, if one had sufficient will power, but nervous patients are much like children and need a guiding hand.

Good Light Under Water.

To test the qualities of a submarine electric light a diver at Aberdeen, Scotland, descended 20 feet in muddy water, taking a newspaper and the light down with him. While seated on an anchor at the bottom of the harbor he read aloud for ten minutes to the men above, the words being conveyed through the telephone in his helmet. The paper was held 18 inches from the lamp.

A Man's Career.

A man ought to look upon his career as a great artist looks upon his masterpiece, as an outpouring of his best self, upon which he looks with infinite pride and a satisfaction which nothing else can give. Yet many people are not so loosely connected with their vocation that they are easily separated from it.—Success Magazine.

Boy's Shrewd Idea.

Extract from a British schoolboy's essay on how England colonizes: "I will tell you how England obtains her colonies. First, she sends out her missionaries, and they look about for the best land. When they have found it they call the people to prayer, and when their eyes are fast shut up goes the Union Jack."

The Craze for Wealth.

No, no, the way to discourage the craze for wealth is not to glorify the poverty which means grinding labor, monotony, constant care and privation. It is to show that a modest competence is sufficient for happiness, independence and dignity.—Chicago Record-Herald.

How to Be Rich While Poor.

While few people have enjoyed the experience of inheriting sudden wealth, almost everybody has had the nightmare. If the sensations are identical why cannot we all enjoy the experience of inheriting a fortune by eating a mince pie or lobster salad before going to bed?

Ruling on British Marriages.

The bishop of London has ruled that the Church of England, not being responsible for civil marriages, a clergyman of that church can officiate at the wedding of a divorced person whose previous marriage took place in a registry office.

No Speaker from New York.

New York city has had a large representation in the national house of representatives for 118 years, yet there has not been one New York city born man among the 49 speakers who have presided over that body.

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An Anecdote of a Wet Year.

A Belfast (Maine) man recalls that this year is the fortieth anniversary of the "wet summer" when Belfast postponed part of its big Fourth of July celebration to August 7. Many places in the state had planned for demonstrations on the Fourth, but rain interfered, and some towns had it on the instalment plan. Belfast among the number. The season was so wet that on low lands on many farms the hay was cut and stacked on the driest place that could be found and hauled off after the ground froze in the winter.

A Horrid Suspicion.

"Maud," he said, as the carriage entered the shadowy lane, "Maud are you sure you—never had any man's arm about your waist as mine has?"

"No, George, I never did," she murmured; "I never, never did! Why?"

"Oh, nothing," he replied, "only I wondered whether it was instinct or experience that made you take the reins from my hand just as soon as we reached this secluded spot."—Racine Magazine.

The secret of fashionable beauty. I asked the question of a beauty specialist. In order to be round, rosy and very stylish, take Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. 35 cents. Tea or Tablets. T. J. Wadsworth.

Gossip.

Men gossip just as much as the women do. Only the men don't hold up their hands and say: "Land sakes!"

What Ails You?

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Bees and Hive an Inn Sign.

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The sunrise of a recent Saturday and a surprising effect had the occupants of the hive were swarming, much to the discomfort of those who desired to enter the inn to quench their thirst. Thousands of bees were flying about and a large crowd of persons stood at a respectable distance watching the landlord collecting them in another hive by the side of the footpath near the door.

Navy Blue Foulard Frock.

A pretty navy blue foulard has the skirt perfectly plain, with a deep hem at the bottom, and full and easy round the hips. Shaped revers of Japanese embroidery in blues and greens turn back over a full soft blouse of cream lace and net. The short kimono sleeve of the foulard is open, and strapped on the shoulder line by a narrow band of old blue foulard with tiny fancy button. There is a bias band of the old blue foulard on the edge of the sleeves, revers and collar and two buttons each side of the net blouse in front just above the broad girdle of the dark blue foulard.

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